


Metropolitan Asylums Board.

THE
TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Committee of Management
OF THE
METROPOLITAN IMBECILE ASYLUM,
CATERHAM, SURREY.

1882.

LONDON:
McCORQUODALE & CO., LIMITED, CARDINGTON STREET, LONDON, N.W.

1883.



Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2018 with funding from
Wellcome Library

<https://archive.org/details/b30309645>

CATERHAM IMBECILE ASYLUM.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

GEORGE WARD, Esq., *Chairman of Committee*, 68, Loughborough Park, Brixton, S.W.

J. CARR, Esq., 40, Bloomsbury Square, W.C.

H. W. COTTRELL, Esq., 125, Holborn, E.C.

JAMES T. DERBY, Esq., 62, Whitehorse Street, Ratcliffe, E.

W. LAWRENCE, Esq., 159, King's Road, Chelsea, S.W.

JOHN OUTHWAITE, Esq., 59, Manor Park, Lee, S.E.

BROWNLOW POULTER, Esq., 30, Lee Park, Lee, Kent.

Vice-Admiral R. ROBERTSON, J.P., Wood Street, Woolwich, S.E.

THOMAS J. ROBINS, Esq., 228, Old Kent Road, S.E.

A. C. SCOVELL, Esq., Cotton's Wharf, Tooley Street, S.E.

J. SOAMES, Esq., J.P., Maze Hill, Greenwich, S.E.

R. STRONG, Esq., J.P., Helstonleigh, Champion Park, Camberwell, S.E.

Ex officio. { E. H. GALSWORTHY, Esq., J.P., *Chairman of the Board*,
18, Park Crescent, Portland Place, W.
Sir E. H. CURRIE, *Vice-Chairman of the Board*, Bromley, E.

REPORT
OF THE
COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT
OF THE
METROPOLITAN IMBECILE ASYLUM
CATERHAM, SURREY,
FOR THE YEAR 1882.

15th June, 1883.

Your Committee have the honour of submitting the appended Reports of the Medical Superintendent, Chaplain, Steward, Matron, and Resident Engineer, upon the work of their respective departments during the year ended 31st December last.

The important changes which occurred in the staff were the decease in February, 1882, of the Rev. Joshua Ground, M.A., who had, from the opening of the Asylum in 1870, efficiently performed the duties of Chaplain, and the appointment of the Rev. W. Jones as his successor.

In November last the Commissioners in Lunacy made a thorough examination of the Asylum, and reported favourably thereon.

The Committee feel they cannot conclude this Report without expressing their very deep regret and sorrow at the serious illness of their Chairman, Mr. Geo. Ward, who has for several years ably and efficiently presided over their deliberations, and represented them at the Central Board, and they sincerely hope that his health will soon be restored, so as to allow of his resuming his duties.

(Signed)

T. J. ROBINS,

Acting Chairman.

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

CATERHAM ASYLUM,

December 31st, 1882.

*To the Committee of Management of the Metropolitan
District Asylum, Caterham.*

Mr. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour of submitting to you my Report upon the general condition of the Asylum for the year 1882, together with the usual statistical tables illustrating the history of the Institution during the past year.

The numerical results of the year may be thus summed up :—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
On the 1st of January, 1882, the Asylum contained	939	1,082	2,021
There have been admitted during the year	81	87	168
The total number under treat- ment has been	1,020	1,169	2,189
Of this number there have been discharged	31	17	48
There have died	64	64	128
Remaining under treatment at the close of the year ...	925	1,088	2,013

There was a decrease of 59 in the number of admissions compared with the preceding year. I am glad to be able to report a slight improvement in the bodily condition of the cases sent, but many of the admissions were of the perfectly harmless senile character, and might have been as well cared for in their respective Workhouse Infirmaries. I cannot help thinking that to send such persons to end their days in an Asylum is hardly justifiable, for, although their faculties may be somewhat enfeebled as the incidental result of old age, they often keenly feel the change in their position, and, complaining very bitterly of their detention, become dejected in spirits for the remainder of their comparatively brief existence.

Epilepsy has been the cause of the mental disorder in a large number of those admitted, and Alcoholic Intemperance, as in past years, continues to be a prolific factor of Insanity. A female was admitted in October last who was stated to be a confirmed and irreclaimable drunkard, but on her admission she gave no evidence of Insanity, and she was therefore, after a brief period of observation, discharged as not having exhibited any indication of being insane. This person had been under care in several Asylums previously, and no doubt, when in possession of her freedom, is utterly incapable of restraining from drink. Such cases are, unfortunately, not at all uncommon in asylum practice, and in many instances the irresistible crave for "drink" has been found, on enquiry amongst relatives, to be hereditary.

13 patients have been discharged as recovered.

14 have left the Asylum as relieved, and 20 were discharged as having given indications of being either dangerous

or suicidal patients, and therefore unfit for further detention here. Several patients who had sufficiently improved mentally have left the Asylum to reside with their relatives, and more might with safety and advantage to themselves be similarly discharged if their relatives would undertake to give them a home and some slight supervision, but the difficulty is to induce them to do so, the majority not being in a pecuniary position to maintain any but bread-winners in their household.

It will be seen by reference to Table III. that the mortality during the past year has been the lowest since the opening of the Asylum. The total number of deaths were 128, and it is noteworthy that the number was the same of both sexes; this is most unusual in asylum death rates, as there is nearly always a preponderance of Male deaths, which is in a great measure due to the much larger number of General Paralytics amongst the Male insane; this, the most fatal of all mental disorders, being a comparatively rare disease in women. Our female population is the more aged of the two sexes, and this is in some degree exemplified by the fact that 16 of the women at the time of their death were between 70 and 89 years of age against 5 men between the same limits of age. The percentage of deaths on the average number resident was 6.84 males and 5.90 females. Inquests were held on two cases of death which occurred from suffocation in Epileptic Fits, and in both cases a verdict of "Natural death upon an Epileptic Fit" was returned.

The average number resident during the year was 2,018, and the highest number resident on any one day was 2,035. The general health of the patients has been very satisfactory, and no case of Epidemic or Infectious disease has occurred.

The number of casualties has been very small when it is borne in mind that there are nearly 500 patients subject to Epilepsy, and therefore exceptionally prone from the nature of their ailment to sustain bodily injuries.

The Night Service in both the Male and Female divisions has been rendered more efficient by eight additional Dent's Recording Clocks having been supplied to the Night Attendants, who are now all provided with this reliable check.

The employment of all those patients who are in any way capable of being industrially occupied has been regarded, not only as, of course, desirable from a financial point of view, by reducing the expense of paid labour, but as an undoubted beneficial means of medical treatment. It will be seen on reference to Table XI. that 32 per cent. of the daily average resident are usefully occupied; and when it is remembered what a large number of confirmed Epileptics, Paralytics, and Senile enfeebled patients are under care here, who are utterly incapacitated from work of any kind, the average of workers must be considered very satisfactory.

The recent purchase of the additional Farm Land will be most beneficial, by adding to the existing available resources for the employment of our population, besides considerably increasing our boundary walk for the recreational use of the patients.

The Commissioners in Lunacy paid their Annual visit to the Asylum in November, and reported most favourably regarding its condition.

The Recreation Hall has been repainted and otherwise renovated, and the walls have been embellished by a number

of skilfully painted frescoes, which were the work of an octogenarian patient. The ventilation of the Hall, which on Entertainment Nights had been very inadequate, has been materially improved by the addition of ventilating sunlights.

The amusements provided for the patients have been of the usual varied kind. Theatrical performances have been frequently given during the Winter months, in addition to Magic Lantern, Miscellaneous Entertainments, and the weekly Ball, which is attended by upwards of 500 patients of both sexes. I am indebted for valuable aid to many Members of the Staff, whom it would be invidious to individualise when all have so harmoniously united to exercise their musical and dramatic abilities for the amusement of the patients. The Band, which now numbers 16 instrumentalists, continues to keep up its efficiency under the leadership of Band-master Hardyway. During the Summer months, Cricket Matches and other out-door sports, including a Pic-nic to Whitehill, which was a source of great enjoyment to those able to participate in it, took place.

Several important changes have occurred on the Staff of the Asylum during the past year. I have, with regret, to record the death, which took place in February last, of our late Chaplain, the Rev. Joshua Ground, who had endeared himself both to the officers and patients by his kindly, sympathising nature and obliging disposition. Dr. Seccombe resigned his office of Senior Assistant Medical Officer in July, having been selected by the Secretary of State for the Colonies to fill the post of Medical Superintendent to the Royal Trinidad Asylum. He carried with him the

hearty good wishes of all with whom he had been associated here, having been most attentive and painstaking in the discharge of his important duties and indefatigable in promoting the amusement and welfare of the patients. Dr. Duncan, the junior Assistant Medical Officer, also resigned his appointment in the same month, with the intention of entering the Army Medical Service, and both these gentlemen were succeeded by Drs. Campbell and Thomas, respectively, who have already fully justified the high recommendations they brought with them on their appointment.

The conduct of the Male and Female Attendants generally has been very satisfactory, and the zealous and efficient manner in which Inspector Cawthorne has discharged his duties merits my acknowledgment.

I have again to acknowledge the ready and cheerful assistance I have invariably received from the various Members of the Staff in carrying out my duties.

In closing this Report, permit me to thank you for the confidence you continue to place in me, and also for the kind and valued support I have always received from you in the discharge of my otherwise onerous duties.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed)

G. STANLEY ELLIOT,

Medical Superintendent.

TABLE I.

Showing the Admissions, Re-admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year 1882.

					Male.	Female.	Total.
In the Asylum, 1st January, 1882	...	...	...	...	939	1,082	2,021
Admitted for the first time during the Year...							
Re-admitted during the Year...	...	...	...	...	81	87	168
Total under care during the Year	...	...	...	...	1,020	1,169	2,189
Discharged or Removed—							
Not Insane	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Recovered	...	...	...	...	8	5	13
Relieved	...	...	...	...	11	3	14
Not Improved	...	...	...	...	12	8	20
Died	...	...	...	...	64	64	128
Total discharged (for various reasons) and died during the Year	...	...	...	...	95	81	176
Total Admitted	...	...	...	...	81	87	168
Remaining in the Asylum, 31st December, 1882	...	...	...	...	925	1,088	2,013
Average numbers resident during the Year	...	...	...	...	935	1,083	2,018
Highest number resident on any one day	...	...	...	...	939	1,096	2,035
Lowest number resident on any one day	...	...	...	...	929	1,080	2,009

LUNACY STATISTICS.

TABLE II

Showing the Admissions, Re-admissions, and Discharges, from the opening of the Asylum to the present date, 31st December, 1882.

	Male.	Female	Total.
Admitted during the period of 12 years	2,797	2,587	5,384
Re-admissions ...	12	16	28
Total of Cases Admitted	2,809	2,603	5,412
Discharged or Removed—			
Not Insane...	...	1	1
Recovered ...	152	117	269
Relieved ...	208	108	316
Not Improved	200	147	347
Died	1,324	1,142	2,466
Total Discharged and Died during the 12 years	1,884	1,515	3,399
Remaining, 31st December, 1882	925	1,088	2,013
Average numbers resident during the 12 years	...	...	1,786

TABLE III.

Showing the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths, with the Mean Annual Mortality and proportion of Recoveries per cent. of the Admissions for each year since the opening of the Asylum.

YEAR.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.									DIED.			Remaining 31st December in each year.			Average Numbers Resident.			Percentage of Recoveries on Admissions.			Percentage of Deaths on Average Numbers Resident.			
				Recovered.			Relieved.			Not Improved.																		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	
1870 ...	156	202	358	1	1	1	3	4	155	198	353
1871 ...	664	870	1,534	8	7	15	16	8	24	20	16	36	126	102	228	649	935	1,584	580	652	1,232	1·20	0·80	...	21·72	15·64	...	
1872 ...	259	161	420	10	13	23	19	17	36	22	10	32	131	119	250	726	937	1,663	714	920	1,634	3·86	8·07	...	18·34	12·71	...	
1873 ...	184	167	351	19	6	25	14	6	20	8	3	11	108	70	178	761	1,019	1,780	730	937	1,667	10·32	3·59	...	14·79	7·47	...	
1874 ...	314	208	522	31	30	61	70	10	80	40	36	76	114	112	226	820	1,039	1,859	772	1,026	1,798	9·87	14·42	...	14·76	10·91	...	
1875 ...	158	180	338	18	12	30	15	5	20	20	15	35	127	150	277	798	1,037	1,835	810	1,040	1,850	11·39	6·66	...	15·67	14·42	...	
1876 ...	211	342	553	21	14	35	11	10	21	23	17	40	117	112	229	837	1,226	2,063	820	1,052	1,872	9·95	4·09	...	14·26	10·64	...	
1877 ...	180	57	237	7	12	19	7	4	11	16	10	26	132	92	224	855	1,165	2,020	830	1,190	2,020	3·88	21·05	...	15·81	7·73	...	
1878 ...	174	47	221	10	4	14	12	20	32	16	13	29	104	81	185	887	1,094	1,981	860	1,147	2,007	5·74	8·50	...	10·20	7·06	...	
1879 ...	182	84	266	3	4	7	17	3	20	11	5	16	110	63	173	928	1,103	2,031	896	1,104	2,000	1·64	4·76	...	12·27	5·70	...	
1880 ...	124	93	217	9	5	14	9	14	23	5	4	9	90	69	159	939	1,104	2,043	927	1,094	2,021	6·45	5·37	...	9·70	6·30	..	
1881 ...	122	105	227	8	5	13	7	8	15	7	9	16	100	105	205	939	1,082	2,021	924	1,076	2,000	6·45	4·76	...	10·82	9·75	...	
1882 ...	81	87	168	8	6	14	11	3	14	12	8	20	64	64	128	925	1,088	2,013	935	1,083	2,018	9·87	6·89	...	6·84	5·90	...	

TABLE IV.

Classifying under the usual denominations of Mental Disease the Mental Condition of the Patients admitted during the year.

MENTAL DISEASES.			MALES.	FEMALES.	TOTAL.
Mania ...	...	...	...	2	2
Mania, Chronic ...	...	...	...	1	1
Mania and Epilepsy	...	...	1	1	2
Melancholia ...	...	...	2	6	8
Dementia	...	...	19	30	49
Dementia and General Paresis	...	...	9	5	14
Dementia and Epilepsy	...	...	11	8	19
Dementia, Senile	...	...	4	5	9
Idiocy ...	...	...	1	2	3
Imbecility	...	...	19	15	34
Imbecility and Epilepsy	...	...	15	11	26
Not Insane	...	...	...	1	1
Totals	...	...	81	87	168

LUNACY STATISTICS.

17

TABLE V.

Classifying under the usual denominations of Mental Disease the mental condition of the Patients resident in the Asylum on the 31st December in each year.

MENTAL DISEASE.	1873			1874			1875			1876			1877			1878			1879			1880			1881			1882		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Mania	3	3	6	2	6	8	2	4	6	3	8	11	1	6	7	...	7	7	...	5	5	...	...	...	1	1	2	1	2	3
Mania, Chronic	32	61	93	38	58	96	34	52	86	32	54	86	28	50	78	24	48	72	21	42	63	18	39	57	16	30	46	15	23	38
Mania and Epilepsy	4	1	5	6	2	8	3	4	7	3	4	7	2	3	5	2	1	3	1	1	2	...	...	...	1	1	2	3	1	4
Melancholia	14	32	46	17	34	51	15	30	45	13	38	51	10	29	39	9	30	39	8	32	40	7	24	31	8	20	28	9	26	35
Dementia	284	387	671	296	379	675	291	385	676	298	459	757	312	431	743	327	410	737	334	359	693	350	382	732	356	386	742	340	395	735
Dementia and General Paresis	48	54	102	54	61	115	55	72	127	59	96	155	63	88	151	71	103	174	84	94	178	87	95	182	86	92	178	85	85	170
Dementia and Epilepsy...	57	105	162	72	108	180	69	101	170	81	128	209	85	115	200	80	108	188	89	105	194	92	108	200	90	110	200	78	109	187
Senile Dementia	40	125	165	76	130	206	78	139	217	94	171	265	87	160	247	101	148	249	107	159	266	112	148	260	110	142	252	113	130	243
Idiocy	18	14	32	16	13	29	15	10	25	16	9	25	16	10	26	13	14	27	10	15	25	10	14	24	12	12	24	12	14	26
Imbecility	235	238	473	223	248	471	236	240	476	238	260	498	251	273	524	260	225	485	274	291	565	263	294	557	259	288	547	269	303	572
Unknown	26	...	26	20	...	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	761	1,020	1,781	820	1,039	1,859	798	1,037	1,835	837	1,227	2,064	855	1,165	2,020	887	1,094	1,981	928	1,103	2,031	939	1,104	2,043	939	1,082	2,021	925	1,088	2,013

TABLE VI.

Showing the History of the Annual Admissions since the opening of the Asylum, with the Discharges and Deaths, and the numbers remaining on the 31st December of each year, and of the year reported on.

Admitted.					Of each Year's Admissions, Discharged, and Died, in 1882.												Total Discharged and Died of each Year's Admissions to 31st December, 1882.												Remaining of each Year's Admissions, 31st December, 1882.			
Year.	New Cases.		Relapsed Cases.		Total.	Recovered.			Relieved			Not Improved.			Died.			Recovered.			Relieved.			Not Improved.			Died.					
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1870 ...	156	202	...	...	358	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	3	4	4	8	7	13	20	8	8	16	69	80	149	68	97	165	
1871 ...	664	870	...	...	1,534	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	4	11	15	47	31	78	50	29	79	65	41	106	354	469	823	148	300	448
1872 ...	259	161	...	...	420	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	5	23	12	35	24	10	34	24	20	44	138	75	213	50	44	94	
1873 ...	183	167	1	...	351	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	3	6	19	10	29	19	5	24	24	26	50	91	79	170	31	47	78
1874 ...	312	205	2	3	522	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	5	8	18	24	42	30	13	43	36	16	52	161	106	267	69	49	118	
1875 ...	158	180	...	...	338	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	4	13	11	24	10	7	17	8	11	19	86	76	162	41	75	116	
1876 ...	206	337	5	5	553	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	5	11	16	2	11	13	21	10	31	3	8	11	108	144	252	77	169	246	
1877 ...	178	57	2	...	237	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	4	3	7	...	...	...	14	4	18	4	2	6	98	26	124	64	25	89
1878 ...	174	47	...	...	221	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	4	1	5	5	3	8	10	1	11	3	4	7	69	13	82	87	26	113
1879 ...	182	84	...	...	266	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	9	4	13	6	3	9	7	4	11	10	...	10	72	24	96	87	53	140
1880 ...	122	87	2	6	217	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	7	5	12	6	3	9	8	6	14	5	5	10	48	27	75	57	52	109	
1881 ...	122	105	...	...	227	...	1	...	3	1	...	6	2	...	12	13	25	3	1	4	5	4	9	8	3	11	25	19	44	81	78	159
1882 ...	81	85	...	2	168	6	5	...	3	2	...	2	3	...	5	4	9	6	5	11	3	2	5	2	3	5	5	4	9	65	73	138
	2,797	2,587	12	16	5,412	8	6	14	11	3	14	12	8	20	64	64	128	152	118	270	208	103	316	200	147	347	1,324	1,142	2,466	925	1,088	2,013

[illegible]

TABLE VII.

Showing the Causes of Death during the year 1882, together with the ages of the Decedents.

CAUSE OF DEATH.	Under 16		16		17		18		19		20 to 29		30 to 39		40 to 49		50 to 59		60 to 69		70 to 79		80 to 89		90 to 99		Age Unknown		TOTAL.		
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.
CEREBRAL OR SPINAL DISEASES :—																															
Apoplexy and Paralysis	1	1	2	...	...	2	2	3	4	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	8	18	
Epilepsy and Convulsions	1	...	1	4	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	6	9	15
General Paresis	1	1	1	3	5	4	3	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	9	21	
Maniacal and Melancholic Exhaustion	
Inflammation and other Diseases of the Brain, Softening, Tumours, &c.	1	1	...	1	...	1	5	...	1	3	7	10
THORACIC DISEASE :—																															
Inflammation of the Lungs, Pleuræ, and Bronchi	1	1	1	...	4	1	1	1	7	3	10
Pulmonary Consumption	1	...	9	1	1	4	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	6	19	
Disease of the Heart, &c.	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	3	
ABDOMINAL DISEASE :—																															
Inflammation and Ulceration of the Stomach, Intestines, or Peritoneum	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	3	
Dysentery and Diarrhœa	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Hepatic Disease	
Nephritis Chronic	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	
Rheumatism Acute	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Cellulitis	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	
General Debility and Old Age	4	9	1	7	...	...	...	5	16	21	
Exhaustion of Cancer	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	
Exhaustion of Lupus Exedens	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	
Cancer of Tongue	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	
Scirrhus of Mammæ	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	
Totals	2	...	13	8	6	11	10	10	13	5	14	10	5	11	1	7	2	64	64	128



LUNACY STATISTICS.

TABLE VIII.

Showing the Length of Residence in those discharged Recovered, and in those who have died during the year.

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE.						RECOVERED.			DIED.		
						Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Under 1 Month ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	1
From 1 to 3 Months	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	4	1	...	1
„ 3 „ 6 „	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	5	2	4	6
„ 6 „ 9 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	3	1	4
„ 9 „ 12 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	2	6
„ 1 „ 2 Years	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	12	12	24
„ 2 „ 3 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5	10
„ 3 „ 5 „	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	9	7	16
„ 5 „ 7 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	12	21
„ 7 „ 10 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	9	18
„ 10 „ 12 „	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	12	21
Over 12 Years ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
						8	6	14	64	64	128

TABLE IX.

Showing the Ages of Patients resident in the Asylum on 31st December in each year; calculated from the Ages stated on the Orders of Admission.

Years ending December 31st.	Under 16		16		17		18		19		20		20 to 29		30 to 39		40 to 49		50 to 59		60 to 69		70 to 79		80 to 89		90 to 99		100 & over		Ages not known		TOTALS.		
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1870 ...	6	8	...	4	3	6	5	10	4	8	10	12	25	31	30	34	38	40	14	20	12	14	7	8	1	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	155	198	353
1871 ...	39	48	10	27	24	41	43	48	52	72	50	94	73	91	68	102	77	109	71	114	67	81	41	68	24	40	...	...	...	...	10	...	649	935	1,584
1872 ...	51	34	14	21	20	30	30	30	40	54	44	78	105	114	96	108	92	124	78	148	71	78	54	75	31	38	...	...	...	...	...	5	726	937	1,663
1873 ...	44	38	17	24	20	38	38	42	54	69	61	84	91	115	103	131	101	145	74	131	69	93	50	74	39	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	764	1,019	1,780
1874 ...	42	34	20	26	17	30	35	40	40	61	54	98	105	116	114	129	124	148	84	145	84	100	61	71	42	38	...	...	...	...	...	3	820	1,039	1,859
1875 ...	40	30	16	20	17	25	30	35	35	51	54	78	110	126	120	149	129	159	80	155	82	102	60	72	25	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	798	1,037	1,835
1876 ...	...	...	19	21	20	24	34	42	38	51	50	50	139	146	138	192	144	188	89	205	88	172	58	95	20	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	837	1,226	2,063
1877 ...	...	...	14	12	14	11	13	11	13	13	31	13	147	153	165	199	163	199	128	219	102	188	53	119	9	25	3	3	...	...	...	...	855	1,165	2,020
1878 ...	...	...	16	10	17	9	15	8	16	12	35	10	154	148	170	185	166	180	126	209	104	180	56	117	10	23	2	3	...	...	...	...	887	1,094	1,981
1879 ...	...	...	20	9	19	10	17	12	15	10	38	23	161	144	176	181	174	176	130	214	106	182	64	115	8	24	...	3	...	...	...	...	928	1,103	2,031
1880 ...	...	...	10	8	18	9	16	14	24	12	42	36	164	151	170	176	169	184	124	200	119	186	76	108	7	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	939	1,104	2,043
1881 ...	...	...	...	1	3	1	16	2	19	6	14	9	201	182	189	183	163	187	156	221	121	152	41	94	7	32	3	...	...	...	6	12	939	1,082	2,021
1882 ...	...	...	2	2	6	6	8	7	12	1	20	4	186	168	204	180	160	200	133	200	129	178	47	103	9	29	3	1	...	...	6	9	925	1,088	2,013

TABLE X.

Showing the Ages of the Admissions, Discharges, and Deaths during the Year.

AGES.	The Admissions.			The Discharges.				The Deaths.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Recovered.		Removed, Relieved, or Otherwise.		Male.	Female.	Total.
				Male.	Female.	Total.				
From 5 to 10 years	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" 10 to 15 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" 15 to 20 "	16	12	28	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
" 20 to 30 "	13	17	30	2	1	3	1	12	9	21
" 30 to 40 "	15	10	25	2	1	3	4	6	10	16
" 40 to 50 "	11	23	34	1	2	3	2	11	10	21
" 50 to 60 "	6	9	15	2	...	2	4	12	5	17
" 60 to 70 "	13	13	26	1	2	3	2	15	11	26
" 70 to 80 "	7	3	10	...	...	...	1	5	10	15
" 80 to 90 "	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	7	8
" 90 and upwards	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ages unknown ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2
TOTAL	81	87	168	8	6	14	23	64	64	128

LUNACY STATISTICS.

TABLE XI.

Showing the Departments where Patients were employed on the 30th December, 1882.

MALES		FEMALES.	
Departments.	Number Employed.	Departments.	Number Employed.
Blocks ...	127	Laundry ...	55
Centre and Hall ...	9	Work Room ...	32
Coaling ...	7	Helpers in Blocks ...	147
Stores ...	3	Needlework in Blocks...	61
Kitchen ...	11	Centre ...	6
Bakehouse ...	4	Mess Room ..	5
Mess Room ...	4	Medical Superintendent's Residence	2
Tailor's Shop ...	13	Steward's Residence ...	1
Shoemaker's Shop ...	9	Matron's " ...	1
Upholsterer's Shop ...	44	Engineer's " ...	2
Painter's Shop ...	3	Kitchen ...	2
Grounds ...	60		
Laundry ...	16		
Gas House ...	5		
Engine House ...	3		
Attending to Earth Closets	6		
Lunches ...	4		
Steward's Residence ...	1		
The Lodge ...	1		
Total ...	330	Total ...	314

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

*To the Committee of Management of the Metropolitan District
Asylum, Caterham.*

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,

Herein I submit a brief Report for part of the year 1882 :—

Since the commencement of my ministry, as Chaplain, on March of the past year, the attendance of the patients and others at Divine Services in the Chapel on Sundays has been invariably good.

Morning and Evening Services, daily, have been regularly held in the Chapel, and they have been attended by many of the male and female patients with their attendants. These Services commenced at 8 and 5 o'clock respectively, as at present.

The number present at these Services has not been so large in the morning as in the evening during the winter months. The inclemency of the weather, the advanced age of some of the patients, and the daily demand for the assistance of useful patients, as helpers to the Attendants and Nurses in the Wards at service time, have been among the chief impediments to the presence of a larger number at the morning services.

Holy Communion has been administered without intermission on the first Sunday in each month. The largest attendance of Communicants at any one of the Communion Services has not exceeded thirty-four.

Of the Services in general, I am pleased to say they have been uniformly of a cheerful and hearty character, and the worshippers appeared to have taken, and still do take, a lively interest in them.

In regard to the behaviour and attention of the patients during service times there seemed to be all that could be desired.

My pastoral visits to patients confined through sickness to their respective wards have been continued, and I trust have proved profitable to many.

I may just mention that my ministry appeared to have been acceptable, and continues to be so.

I further add that your grant for the Library will, I hope, enable me to supply the wants of the various classes of readers with a variety of reading of a sound, useful, and entertaining kind.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) W. JONES,

May 4, 1883.

Chaplain.

REPORT OF STEWARD.

CATERHAM ASYLUM, SURREY,
January, 1883.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg to present to you my Report for the year ending 1882.

There is very little difference between this and previous years. The servants and assistants under me continue nearly the same as heretofore, with the exception of Mr. Thompson, who was appointed to a better situation in another Institution under the Managers, and Mr. Hall transferred to me at the end of the year.

The provisions and other articles have been of the usual good value, and the testimony of the Commissioners in Lunacy and the Local Government Inspectors is, I am glad to say, thoroughly corroborative of this, who have in their Reports expressed their appreciation of the qualities of the articles of consumption.

The 60 acres of land purchased, and of which we became possessed last May, have been worked as steadily as possible, and we hope that the ensuing year may bring us a good harvest, as a reward for our work.

The profit on the year ending Michaelmas last was £114 14s. 7d., a smaller amount than on some previous

years, owing to extra labour being employed in getting this new land in order, and the corresponding profit not arising from the crops until the current year.

The domestic and industrial portions of the House have been carried on as hitherto, the great difficulty being the scarcity of the working inmates compared with those not able to do anything.

The whole of the Staff under me—most of whom have been of very long service, or since the date of the opening of the Asylum—have performed their duties with care and thoughtfulness.

The death of the Chaplain caused a break in the circle of superior Officers, and we were all grieved at the loss of one who had been with us from the commencement of our duties, and who had been kindly disposed to every one.

Thanking the Committee for their continued confidence in me,

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed)

GEORGE WHITE.

The Committee, Caterham Asylum.

ARTICLES.		No.	Price.		Amount.	
			s.	d.	£	s. d.
Mattresses made	...	835	2	0	85	6 0
Pillows and Bolsters...	...	500	0	4	8	6 8
Hair Picked, cwt.	...	193	...	...	115	16 0
Bed Sackings repaired	...	1,556	0	6	38	18 0
New Sacking...	...	96	1	6	7	4 0
New Ticks	...	259	1	0	12	19 0
Pillow "	...	102	0	2	0	17 0
Repairs to Ticks	...	236	0	6	5	18 0
Coffin Pillows...	...	100	0	1	0	8 4
Kneelers	...	193	0	1	0	16 1
Curtains, Blinds, and General Upholstery Work—	}	...	...	...	103	13 0
Men's Time		...	...	...	380	2 1
Deduct Expenses	...	...	...	...	170	0 0
Value of Inmates' Labour	...	...	...	...	£110	2 1

TAILORING WORK.

ARTICLES.		No.	Price.		Amount.	
			s.	d.	£	s. d.
Jackets	...	310	3	6	54	5 0
Trousers	...	515	2	6	64	7 6
Vests ...	...	420	1	6	31	10 0
Coats ...	...	100	3	9	18	15 0
Repairs to Coats and Jackets	...	951	1	8	79	5 0
”	Vests ...	703	0	9	26	7 3
”	Trousers ...	1,865	1	4	124	6 8
Machine Work for other Departments	...	...	...	...	33	10 0
Repairs to Uniforms...	...	...	...	...	28	10 0
Other Assistance not included in the above...	...	...	...	...	20	0 0
					480	16 5
Deduct Wages, &c. ...	...	...	...	...	300	0 0
Profit representing Inmates' Labour	...	...	...	...	£180	16 5

SHOEMAKERS' WORK.

ARTICLES.				No.	Price.	Amount.
Making Shoes	...	...	...	1 pair	s. d. 6 0	£ s. d. 0 6 0
Repairing "	...	...	...	2,180	2 0	218 0 0
" "	...	...	...	170	0 6	4 5 0
" "	...	...	...	120	0 3	1 10 0
Engineers' Bands, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	5 1 0
						229 2 0
Deduct Labour	...	...	...	...	...	124 0 0
Profit...	...	...	...	...	...	£105 2 0

MATRON'S REPORT.

CATERHAM, SURREY, *May 3rd*, 1883.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit to you my Twelfth Annual Report.

The work done in the female department of this Asylum is shown by the "Tables" which are appended.

The Staff in the Laundry is the same as last year; the new Washing Machine has been of great use; the washing is more expeditiously and better done than it has hitherto been. The total number of articles washed during the year is 100,270 dozen; these valued at 6d. per dozen realise the sum of £2,506 15s.

The Workmistress, who had been in your service for more than six years, was in October last appointed Matron of St. Luke's Hospital for the insane.

Several changes have taken place in the Staff of Attendants.

The amusements have been of the same character as in former years, and the Annual Staff Ball was highly appreciated.

Thanking you for your uniform kindness and support,

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) E. E. MOSELY.

*To the Committee of the
Caterham Asylum.*

Articles made for Patients from December 31st, 1881, till December 31st, 1882.

No.	ARTICLE.	VALUE.	TOTAL VALUE.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1,228	Dresses	0 1 0	61 8 0
1,222	Shirts	0 0 3½	17 16 5
1,079	Chemises	0 0 2½	11 4 9½
1,127	Aprons... ..	0 0 1½	7 0 10½
1,448	Sheets	0 0 2	12 1 4
1,160	Pillow Cases	0 0 2½	12 1 8
670	Petticoats	0 0 2½	6 19 7
443	Nightgowns	0 0 2½	4 12 3½
308	Drawers	0 0 3	3 17 0
305	Flannel Vests	0 0 2½	3 3 6½
216	„ Chemises	0 0 2	1 16 0
162	Table Cloths	0 0 1½	1 0 3
223	Curtains	0 0 4½	4 3 7½
303	Towels	0 0 1	1 5 3
200	Caps	0 0 2½	2 1 8
43	Nightingale Jackets	0 0 3	0 10 9
116	Teacloths	0 0 1	0 9 8
152	Shrouds	0 0 2½	1 11 8
10,405	Total ... ..	...	£153 4 4½

Articles mended for Patients during the Year.

No.	ARTICLES.				VALUE.			TOTAL.		
					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
74,642	Per Hose	...	...	...	0	0	1	311	0	2
24,011	Chemises	...	...	...	0	0	1	100	0	11
28,965	Dresses...	...	...	...	0	0	1	120	13	9
30,159	Sheets ...	...	...	...	0	0	1	125	13	3
20,003	Nightgowns	...	...	...	0	0	1	83	6	11
21,964	Petticoats	...	...	...	0	0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	45	15	2
2,600	Stays ...	...	...	...	0	0	1	10	16	8
1,451	Flannel Chemises	...	...	...	0	0	1	6	0	11
2,600	Caps ...	...	...	...	0	0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	5	8	4
2,950	Bed Tops	...	...	...	0	0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	6	2	11
486	Curtains	...	...	...	0	0	1	2	0	6
3,962	Table Cloths	...	...	...	0	0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	8	5	1
29,116	Aprons...	...	...	...	0	0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	60	13	2
19,331	Pillow Cases	...	...	...	0	0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	40	5	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
1,898	Towels ...	...	...	...	0	0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	19	1
1,420	Drawers	...	...	...	0	0	1	5	18	4
1,060	Tea Cloths	...	...	...	0	0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	2	4	2
3,509	Blankets	...	...	...	0	0	1	14	12	5
4,649	Counterpanes	...	...	...	0	0	1	19	7	5
14,094	Shirts ...	...	...	...	0	0	1	58	14	6
997	Flannel Shirts	...	...	...	0	0	1	4	3	1
289,867	Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£1,035	2	2 $\frac{1}{2}$

Articles made for Attendants during the Year.

No.	ARTICLE.	VALUE.	TOTAL.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
274	Dresses	0 1 6	20 11 0
235	Caps	0 0 2	1 19 2
291	Aprons... ..	0 0 1½	1 16 4½
292	Towels... ..	0 0 1	1 4 4
	Total ... ..	...	£25 10 10½

Articles mended for Attendants during the Year.

No.	ARTICLE.	VALUE.	TOTAL.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
132	Sheets	0 0 1	0 11 0
117	Pillowcases	0 0 1	0 9 9
103	Towels... ..	0 0 1	0 8 7
30	Table Cloths	0 0 1	0 2 6
280	Aprons... ..	0 0 1	1 3 4
	Total ... ..	...	£2 15 2

Total Value of Work done during Year ending December 31st, 1882.

					£	s.	d.
Making for Patients	...	...	...	...	153	4	4½
„ Attendants...	...	...	...	...	25	10	10½
Repairs for Patients	...	...	...	...	1,035	2	2½
„ Attendants	...	...	...	...	2	15	2
Laundry Work...	...	...	...	...	2,506	15	0
Total					3,723	7	7½

(Signed) E. E. MOSELY,

Matron.

RESIDENT ENGINEER'S REPORT.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT ASYLUM,
CATERHAM, *May*, 1883.

To the Committee of Management.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg to submit to you an account of the work that has been executed in my department during the past year.

In my last report I stated that the wood floors to the water closets and slop sink rooms in the upper part of the blocks were being renewed in concrete; these are now all completed, and the W.C.'s fitted with new seats and water-waste preventers.

Mr. Banner's system of ventilating to a portion of the drains has been applied, with apparently good results.

Some small, but not unimportant, additions and substitutions have been made, such as movable keys to the hot water taps in the Lavatories; enamelled iron "Hot," "Cold," and "Waste" labels to all the Baths; the ventilation of the Recreation Hall by means of "Sunlight" gas burners; a simple and economical heater for the Turkish Bath; more efficient stoves in Male E and D blocks; and

the smoke pipes to the detached stoves in Female G and Male F blocks have been renewed. (The old ones, after an average usage of six years, being burnt out.)

A new "Rotary" washing machine, by Messrs. Jeakes & Co., of Russell Street, Bloomsbury, has been placed in the Laundry, and is doing a very large quantity of work in a most satisfactory manner, while the repairs up to the present time are *nil*. After ten years' wear, two of the old washing machines required thoroughly refitting, which was done in the Asylum workshops, and are now doing their work efficiently.

The floor of the flour store over the Bakery has been strengthened, so that a larger quantity of flour may be stored on it with perfect safety.

The slating on nearly the whole of the roofs has been extensively repaired, which was much needed in consequence of the heavy gales of 1881.

A considerable quantity of painting has been done, of which the following are the principal items:—

Externally: the whole of the Male blocks and Female G block, and the walls of Female B, C, D, and E blocks.

Internally: the Recreation Hall, Chaplain's and Steward's house, Male F and Female B blocks.

The quantity of Water pumped in the year was 27,580,967 gallons for the Asylum, and 2,795,400 gallons

for the Barracks, or a total of 30,376,367 gallons. The maximum height of water in the well was 190 feet on January 13th, and the minimum height 134 feet on October 4th.

The No. 2 Pumping Engine has been thoroughly refitted, and is now in excellent working condition; the pumps also have been overhauled and new foot valves fitted to them.

All the Engines, Machinery, and Steam Boilers are in good working order, and quite equal to the work they were provided for.

The consumption of Gas was 9,576,010 cubic feet; a table showing the cost of production is appended. The maximum daily consumption was 47,821 cubic feet, and the minimum consumption 12,361 cubic feet.

Thanking you for your support on all occasions,

I remain, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed)

WM. CRICKMAY, Assoc. M. Inst. C.E.

Gas Account for year ending September 30th, 1882.

<i>Dr.</i>	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Stock on hand, October 1st, 1881	340	0	4			
918 tons, 14 cwt., 1 qr. Coal, } at 17s. 7d.	807	4	3			
Lime	51	0	0			
Labour	157	3	2			
				1,355	7	9
<i>Cr.</i>						
394½ chaldrons Coke, at 12s. ...	236	14	0			
162 loads spent Lime, at 2s. ...	16	4	0			
6,341 gallons Tar, at 1½d. ...	39	12	7			
Stock in hand, Sept. 30th, 1882—						
220 tons Coal, at 17s. 7d. ...	193	8	4			
125 chaldrons Coke, at 12s. ...	75	0	0			
4,836 gallons Tar, at 1½d. ...	30	4	6			
				591	3	5
				£764	4	4

The cost of making 9,576,010 cubic feet of gas, was £764 4s. 4d., or 1s. 7d. per thousand.

(Signed) WM. CRICKMAY,
Resident Engineer.